ACTIVITY IS SHOWN IN REALTY MARKET **DURING LAST WEEK**

Total of 155 Sales Closed, Which Involve 346 Lots.

LOAN MARKET SETS MARK-WITH \$900,000

Recorder's Office Makes Record / for Day's Volume of Business Tuesday.

The increased activity in real estate, predicted in this column last Saturday, was realized during the last week. A review of the week's business shows an increase of 25 per cent in the number of transactions closed, in the loan market the figures exceeded \$900,000, and the Recorder of Deeds' office hung up a new record for a day's volume of busi-

ness for this season of the year. There were recorded last Tuesday 139 papers affecting real estate. This number exceeds by nineteen the largest day's business ever done in January in history of the Record office. A total of 120 papers was received for record on January 16, 1909, and that day has held the January record for the office up to last Tuesday. As though to leave no doubt of the record being broken, the number of papers of that date was again excelled on Thursday when 121 instruments were offered for

Increase of 25 Per Cent.

While the increase in the number of transactions is only 25 per cent the volume of business as expressed by the number of lots involved in the sales of the week, evidences an advance of 60 per cent over the previous week. In the total of 155 sales closed this week there were involved 346 lots and parcels of real estate. More than half the week's business was in the near-urban section where 184 lots changed owners. The outlying suburban section ranked second with fifty-one parcels conveyed.

Within the city proper the northwest led with 50 lots sold, followed by the southwest with 25 lots transferred. There were 24 lots sold in the northeast syndicate has dedicated to the District and 12 in the southeast. The feature of the week's business

was in the loan market, where the total street along the south front of the nearly reached the million dollar mark. activity in loans began on Monith \$281,870 and continued through-e week. Loans recorded Tuesday ted to \$148,638.23; Wednesday, \$62,-Thursday, \$112,063.45; Friday, \$168,-and Saturday, \$184,752.46. This is considered remarkable for eriod of the year.

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The purchase by Harry Wardman and J. H. Cheney of 107 lots at Sherman avenue and Harvard street will involve, with the improvements to be made, considerably more than \$100,000. A large sum is to be invested by Edwin P. Brink in the improvement to be made by him at the corner of New Hampshire avenue and Monroe street, purchased by him this week.

Purchases a Residence.

Dr. Loren B. T. Johnson has purchased the former residence of Mrs. W. B. Moses, at 2108 Sixteenth street northwest, for \$51,500. The property adjoins on the north the new home of Justice Charles E. Hughes, of the United States Supreme Court. A business section deal involving

\$41,000 was closed yesterday, when the Washington Loan and Trust Company conveyed the property at 419 Ninth street northwest, adjoining the Imperial Theater, to Fred W. Miller and John H. Miller. The exact figures reached in the loan

market this week were \$938,469.76. This sum was secured on 369 lots at an average interest rate of 5.6 per cent.

Straight loans easily had the call the market, with an aggregate of \$745,402.96. The sum of all the notes given during the week for deferred purchase payments was \$123,866.80. The building associations advanced to mem-

than half the money borrowed this week was secured on property in the county. The total so secured was Sil. 551.43. Owners of property in the northwest made the next highest demand on the market, with an aggregate of \$243,588.32. The record of loans in the other city sections was. in the other city sections was: South-east, \$60,950; northeast, \$33,970; south-west, \$28,400.

Plans About Ready For Department Home

Plans for the new office building opposite the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, for the Department of Agriculture, have practically been completed by Architect Arthur W. Hall. The new building is to house a number of the bureaus of the department which are row scattered throughout several small

Norman E. Wiser this week took title to a lot 48 by 105 feet in size, just Government Architects south of the corner of B and Four-teenth streets southwest. This is a part of the property upon which the new building will stand. The sale was made by Gasche & Birge.

Ad Club Will Soon Occupy New Quarters

ashington Ad Club expects to new quarters on the second old Tribune Building, at h street northwest, by Febrooms are now being fitaries C. Green, first vice the club, will leave the y 1 to accept a position ladelphia North American. will be elected at on February 6.

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ammers and W. A. Hill ed a farming tract near ... paying \$10,000 for it.

Large New Buildings in the Downtown Section Completed, Or Near Completion



LAND IS DEDICATED TO CITY FOR PARK HIGHWAY ADDITION

Massachusetts Avenue Heights Syndicate Is the Donor of Large Strip.

The Massachusetts Avenue Heights of Columbia a strip of land running from Rock Creek Drive to Thirtieth proposed park highway between Woodland Drive and Massachusetts avenue for an addition to it.

The property given to the District contains 56,332 square feet. This will cause a subdivision of square 2199. The trustees of the syndicate also division. Thomas J. Fisher & Co.,

day sent out the following letter to all to be macadam of standard District Government specifications.

"After a thorough consideration by the syndicate's chief engineer, David J. Howell, of the subject of modern road construction, and fully determined to naintain the standard established when Twenty-third street northwest, between C the work of making this tract the most beautiful section of residential Washington was started, the trustees of the Massachusetts Avenue Heights syndicate-the American Security and Trust Company and Amos H. Plumb—have de-cided that all macadam roadways and streets in that subdivision shall have a

top layer of asphaltum.
"Standard macadam treated with this
preparation has the advantage of greatly increased durability and freedom from dust. Driveways so constructed are in use in some of the finest residentia are giving entire satisfaction.
"The additional cost involved, amounting to many thousands of dollars, will be borne entirely by the syndicate."

Waldensian Society Will Hear Lecture

"Travels in Italy among the Wal denses" will be the subject of a lecture on Monday afternoon before the Waldensian Society at the home of Mrs. John Hay, 800 Sixteenth street

northwest. Mrs. Gilbert Colgate, of New York, will be the lecturer. Mrs. Colgate is an officer and di-rector of the National Waldensian Society of New York, of which the Rev. David H. Greer is president. Eugene Delano is treasurer. Among the life members of the society are he life members of the society ar Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Colgate, the Rev. D. Stuart Dodge, Mrs. Elliot F. Shepard, Mrs. John Jay Schieffelin, and other persons prominent in social and religious circles.

Will Read for Blind On Next Wednesday

Miss Julia Chadwick will give a program of readings for the blind at the Library of Congress next Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

On Thursday evening, at 8 o'clock, there will be a plane, song and violin recital by Miss Gertrude Schwameake, planist; Miss Lilian Menaugh, soprane, and Miss Lilian Milovich, violinist. After next week the practice of having the second entertainment of the week on Friday will be resumed.

At Annual Banquet

The Treasury Construction Society held its annual banquet last night at heid its annual banquet last night at the New Ebbitt House, at which Su-pervising Architect James Knox Tay-lor was one of the speakers. The so-ciety is composed of architects employ-ed by the Treasury Department upon work connected with the public build-ings of the country. Addresses were also made by Herbert Cohen, of Pitts-burg, Kan.; Alfred Brooks Fry, of New York; and Allyn A. Packard, of Chi-cago. Thirty-eight members of the so-ciety were present. clety were present.

Lecture Today.

Louis Cons will deliver his lecture, Anatole France," before the Alliance Francaise of Washington in the lec-ture hall of the Washington Club, 1710 I street, this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. This is the fourth of the series of French lectures before the alliance this winter.

VIEW AT FIFTEENTH AND G STREETS SHOWING PROGRESS ON NEW RIGGS OFFICE BUILDING.

Week's Realty Transfers in the District

Northwest.

and D streets-Charlotte M. Ricker to Helen E. Savory, lot A. square 61, \$10. 1779 Massachusetts avenue northwest—George Mackay to Dorothy S. Mackay, lot 66, Mackay to Dorothy S. Mackay, lot 66, square 157, 519
Reservoir street northwest, between Thirty-fourth and Thirty-fifth streets—Nellie B. Rohr to John W. Bogley, part lots 30 and 31, square 291, 510.
Eighth street northwest, between L and M streets—Alonzo B. Johnson to Enos Crows, half interest in part lot, 10, square 425, 510.
Ninth street northwest, between T and U streets—B. M. Clinedinst to Charles J. Walker, part original lots 2 and 3, square 235, 510.

108 Sixteenth street northwest—R. Golden

233, \$10.
2108 Sixteenth street northwest—R. Golden Donaldson et al., trustees, to Loren B. T. Johnson, trustee, part original lot 1, square 174, \$51,600.
S street northwest, between Seventeenth and Elighteenth streets—Myer Cohen et ux. to John H. Nolan, lot 77, and part lot 78, square 152, \$10. John H. Nolan, lot 77, and part lot 78, square 152, \$10.

D street northwest, between Thirteenth and Thirteen-and-a-half streets—Frances M. Chark et vir. James W., to Hilda B. Corder, part original lot 11, square 258, \$10.

Corcoran street northwest, between Eighteenth and Nineteenth streets—Enoch G. Johnson et ux. to Clara R. Sulzer, lot 123, square 134, \$100.

2021 G street northwest—St. Rose's Technical School to Barbara M. Graf, original lot 5, part original lots 4, 19, 21, square 102, \$10.

715 Market Space northwest—H. R. Webb, trustee, to Marianne A. B. Kennedy, lot A and part original lots 3 and 5, square 432, \$13,500.

Connecticut avenue and Rhode Island avenue northwest—Frances Dunn McKee et vir. David R., to William A. Mearns, part lots 11 and 12, square 159, \$10.

Third street northwest, between O and P streets—William B. Jackson et ux. to John A. Hyder, trustee, part lot 19, square west of 553, \$11.

A. Hyder, trustee, part lot 19, square west of 553, \$1.
2302 I street nerthwest—L. Ashten Cooper to Emily S. Palmer, lot 23, square 55, \$10.
Wisconsin avenue extended—Lewis E. Breuninger et ux. to Frederick A. and Ada E. McKinley, lot 285, square 1300, \$10. Same to William B. and Katle Sebastian, lot 287, square 1300, \$10.

Visconsin avenue extended—Gertrude E. Lewis et vir, Timothy L., to Martin and Josephine D. Gering, lot 345, square 1300 \$10.

21 P street northwest-Laura Thornburgh to Hayes W. Hawkins, lot 158, square 445, \$10. Back street-William A. Custard et ux. to George E, and Orra L. Pfrimmer, part lot 9, square 1300, \$10.

H street northwest, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets (Hotel Elsmere)—John P. Story, jr., et al., trustees, to George Von L. Meyer, part lots 15 and 18, square 222, \$10. Massachusetts avenue northwest, between Fifth and Sixth streets—Francis X. Quinlan et ux. to Mary Hall, part original lot 1, square 484, \$10. square 484, \$19. Church street northwest, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets—Crawford Hill et al. to George W. Constantine, lot 72, square 189, \$10.

al. to George W. Constantine, lot 72, square 180, \$10.

D street northwest, between Thirteenth and Thirteen-and-a-half streets, and Tenth street morthwest, between L and M streets—William F. Huntress et ux. to J. Harold McDowell, part lot 2, square 256, and lot 15, square 368, \$10. J. Harold McDowell conveys same property to William F. and Lottle M. Huntress, \$10.

S street northwest, between Seventeenth and Elighteenth streets—Leonard Butt to Annie V. Anderson, lot 71, square 182, \$10. Annie V. Anderson conveys same property to Minfile E. Hawke, \$10.

Twenty-first street northwest, between L and M streets—Katherine P. Hughes to Mary E. Dulin, lot 94, square 100, \$10. Eugene T. Hughes et ux. to same, lot \$6, square 100, \$10.

Thirty-fourth street northwest—Lealie G. Bruce et ux. to William H. Herbert, part lots I, 2, and 3, square 1259, \$10.

Thirty-fifth street northwest, between Reservalr and R streets—Martha S. Ransom et J. Clinton, to J. Harry Carnes, lot

Fisher, trustee, to Elia B. Robinson, lot 25, square 265, \$1,550.

19 Ninth street northwest—Washington Loan and Trust Company, trustee, to Fred W. and John H. Miller, part original lots 6 and 7. square 407, \$41,000.

1725 Twentieth street northwest—Cora R. Thomas, administratrix, to Edith I. Pidgeon, lot 23, square 91, \$10.

E street northwest, between Sixth and Seventh streets—George R. Linkins et al., trustees, to Rachel Lewensohn, part original lot 6, square 458, \$10.

Twenty-first and O streets northwest—Ida M. Stokes to Cora E. Fuller, lot 86, square 96, \$10.

Northeast. Fifth street northeast, between H and street southeast, between Fourteenth an streets-Arnold T. Lewis to Herman H

Howenstein, lots 20 and 21, square 832, \$10. K street northeast, between Ninth and Tentt streets-Middaugh & Shannon to William and Catherine Casey, lot 37, square 232, \$10 K street northeast, between Ninth and Tenth M. and Mary T. Zeigler, lot 52, square 932, Third street northeast, between L and M

streets-Richard A. Ford, trustee, to John F. and Mary A. Ready, part lot 69, square \$19 G street northeast-Howe Totten et un

519 G street northeast—Howe Totten et ux. to Gaylord Brooks, lot 39, square 778, \$10. Ninth street northeast, between F and G streets—William R. Miller et ux. to Milton and Esther Haas, part lot 142, square 913, 310.

Tenth street northeast, between B and C streets—David P. Montague et ux. to Bertha L. Schafer, lot 59, square 929, \$10. Bertha L. Schafer conveys same property to Annie Montague, \$10.

219 H street northeast—Mary L. De Mott et al. to Plippo and Josephine Marletta, lot 43, square 234, \$10.

128 Sixth street northeast—Angus Burns to John W. Brawner, lot 191, square 1029, \$10.

128 Sixth street northeast—Clifford H. Reh to Bessie M. Reh, part original lot 13, square 367, \$10.

Fourteen-and-a-half street northeast, between

Bessie M. Reh, part original lot 13, square \$67, \$10.

Pourteen-and-a-half street northeast, between B and C. streets—James R. Allen to Bettle A. W. Allen, lot 26, square 1665, \$10.

242 Twelfth place northeast—Walter S. Buchanan et ux. to Fannie P. Blundon, lot 98, square 1010, \$10.

K street northeast, between Sixth and Seventh streets—H. R. Howenstein et ux. to James F. Connors, lot 42, square \$57, \$40.

Ninth street northeast, between C and D streets—George W. Barkman et ux. to Bertle L. White, lot 76, square \$39, \$10.

I street northeast, between North Capitol and First streets—President and directors of Gonzaga College to John H. Baker, lots 61 to 55, square \$76, \$9,000.

F street northeast, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets—Robert Lee O'Brien et ux. to Samuel R. Belt, lot 116, square 1028, \$10.

D street northeast, between Fourteenth and

street northeast, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets—Walter A. Dowd to Charles S. and Virginia Peters, lot 171, square 1054, \$10. K street northeast, between Sixth and Sev-enth streets—Charles F. Bidlepacher et ux. to John A. and Mattie A. Pike, lot 26, square 857, \$10.

Southwest.

to 8, 11 to 20, 23 to 26, Pierres alley, and 488 and 490, Caseys alley southwest-Floyd E. Davis et al., trustees, to Anne E. Conroy, lots 34 to 37, 39 to 48, 51, and 58, square 652, and part original lot 12, square 500, M streets—Katherine P. Hughes to Mary E. Dullin, lot 94, square 100, \$10. Eugene T. Hughes et ux. to same, lot 35, square 100, \$10. Claude E. Thomas et ux. to same, lot 36, square 100, \$10. Claude E. Thomas et ux. to same, lot 36, square 100, \$10. Square 545, \$10. Square 544, \$10. Square 544, \$10. Square 544, \$10. Square 544, \$10. Square 547, \$10. Square 548, \$10. Square 547, \$

Matilda C. Markham to Norman E. Wiser, original lot 11, square 263, \$10. Southeast.

Half street southeast, between O and P streets-William A. Richards et al., truspany, original lot 5, square 705, \$1. street southeast, between Seventh and Eighth streets-William W. Thompson et ux. to Patrick J. Walshe, part original lot 16, square 904, \$10,

second street southeast, between E and F streets-Clarence B. Rheem et al., trustees to Frank and Effic St. Clair, lot 55, equar-

A street southeast, between Fourteenth and Pifteenth streets—The Washington Real Estate Company to J. W. Frizzell, original lot 5, square 1685, 510.

G street southeast, between Sixth and Seventh streets—Ines B. Vetton to Max and Ross Ehrman, part original lot 2, square 377, 510.

Alley, between N and O, Half and South Capitol streets southeast—William A. Richards et al., trustees, to Grace L. Eaton, part lot 34, square 762, 51.

Potomac avenue southeast, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets—William M. Potter, jr., et ux. to Fanny S. Potter, lot 8, square 1664, 510.

Water street southeast, between Third and Fourth streets—Oscar Luckett et al., trustees, to Mabel B. Evans, part original lots 6 and 9, square 862, \$1,160. Mabel R. Evans conveys same property to John G. Slater, \$10.

Pennsylvania avenue southeast, between Thurth and Thirteenth streets—Herry I.

Slater, \$10.

Pennsylvania avenue southeast, between Twelfth and Thirteenth streets—Henry I. Anderson to Charles H. Kindle, lot 19, square 1919, \$10.

Twentieth and East Capitol streets southeast—Lawrence Hufty to Charles W., William H. and George, H. Parkhurst, original lot 10, square 1121, \$10.

Near-Urban. inidad—George W. Stickney et uz. to Henry

J. Davis and William D. Nixon, lots 15 and 16, block 6, \$10. Close-M. Imbella Parker to Fred L. and Clara E. Grosvenor, lot 21, block &

L. and Clara E. Grosvenor, lot 21, block 9, \$10.

Mount Pleasant—Emily N. W. Blair et al. to Harry Wardman and John H. Chaney, lots 69 to 175, square 2888, \$36,968.

Whitehaven, SS. Philip and Jacob—Edwin C. Clark et al., trustees, to Thomas R. Dewdney, lot 24, block 3, \$1,010.

Whitney Close—Julia T. Bodfish to Middaugh & Shannon, lot 16, block 5, \$10.

Mount Pleasant—Ina S. Leibhardt to Frances B. Libbey, lot 340, \$10.

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Washington Heights—John H. Nolan et ux. to Myer (Cohen, lot 204, square 2523, \$10.

North Colambia Heights—Adam A. Wilholm et ux. to William H. Hitchcock, lot 45, block 1, \$10.

Whitney Close—Pauline A. Lockett et al. to William H. and Claude M. Acklen, lots 3 and 12, square 3049, \$10.

Holmead Manor—John Rudden et al., trustees, to J. Clarence Welch, lots 87 to 101, block 47, \$10. J. Clarence Price conveys same property to Edwin P. Brink, \$10.

Widow's Mits—Charles H. Davidson et ux. to H. Bradley Davidson and Richard E. Pairo, trustees, square 2829, \$10.

Washington Heights—Carrie L. Howser et vir, Harry R., to Rudolph B. Behrend, lot 52, block 8, \$10.

Wasem's Tract—Alexander Miller et ux. to Rebecca Meiners, lot 30, square 2838, \$10.

Dobbins' Addition—William C. Allard et al. to Jesse R. Fifer, lot 46, block 19, \$10.

Highview—Harry Wardman et al. to Robert A. Dellett, fr., lot 110, square east of 2638, \$10.

Indolence—Charles E. Wire et ux. to T. Avery Taylor and Marie L. Taylor, lot 27, and the state of the second sec \$10.
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Avery Taylor and Marie L. Taylor, lot 27,
square 2699, \$10.

Mount Pieasant—James E. Douglas to Wilbur F. Drown, lots 331 and 232, \$10.

Trinidad—E. Southard Parker et al., trusices,
to Brainard W. Parker, lots 2 and 6, block

ilghview-Harry Wardman et al. to Frank B. Blackburn, lot 189, square east of 2525,

(Continued on Fifth Page.)

CITIZENS ATTACK **OUALITY OF GAS IN BRIGHTWOOD PARK**

Assert It Is Killing Shade Trees and Ruining Ceilings of Homes.

Washington gas, of the quality furnished citizens of Brightwood, came in for scathing criticism and arraignment at the meeting of the Brightwood Park Citizens' Association last night, and today resolutions censuring the gas company will be sent to the Commissioners, to Congress, and to the gas company officials.

ficials.

E. J. Ayres, president of the association, declared trees in Brightwood of twenty-five years' growth were being killed, and the ceilings of residents ruined by the carbon-laden product sent through the company's pines. The association also expressed unanimous opinion that the "obstruction in Kennedy street, known as the stret car line," should be removed: It was declared no benefits had come to residents along the line, and that they could see none in prespect.

along the line, and that they contain none in prospect.

The Washington Railway and Electhic Company received a generous lot of caustic comment. President Ayres declared the service now given on the Georgia avenue line is abominable. He said that since the schedule was com-bined with that of the Ninth street line, conditions have been worse.

Success of Schools Laid to Co-operation

That the hearty co-operation of all those who come in contact with the the development of the Washington

the development of the Washington schools as models for the cities of the world, is the opinion of Dr. William M. Davidson, as expressed at the meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association of the N. P. Gage School last night.

Dr. Hugh T. Stevenson, president of the association, presided. A. T. Stuart, director of intermediate instruction, spoke. Seldon Ely, supervising principal of the second division, advocated the teacher's retirement bill.

Music was furnished by Alys E. Bentley, E. A. Lange, and Marie Leishear.

Sent to Prison for **Brutality to Family**

After being taken into Juvenile Court on the charge of failing to support his children, it developed that Henry L. Barrick had brutally beaten his wife. and was an excessive drinker.

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The wife claimed he had falled to support the family, and had struck her and her child. Three small children, the youngest a year old, were forced to live, it is said, on the sale of the furniture piece by piece.

Barrick explained he was a plumber, a former Business High School pupil, and had been out of work owing to the cold weather. He pleaded with Judge De Lacy to be given another chance, but was sent to Occoquan.

Lauds Soil Surveys By the Government

Soil surveys of the Department of Agriculture are of incalculable value to the farmer, the immigrant, the real estate operator, and the railroads alike, according to Prof. Milton Whitney, chief of the Bureau of Solls.

Prof. Whitney says that they are valuable because they furnish to all the interests concerned an exact and impartial statement of soils and their characteristics, and what may be expected of them.

Normal School Girls Enjoy Page Lecture

Girls of the Normal School are looking forward to another address by Thomas Nelson Page, who yesterday spoke on "Manners" at the Franklin School. At the conclusion of the talk the girls sang several Southern songs and the author and lecturer responded with a reading of his own writing, "Uncle Edinburgh's Drownin'." Tea was served at the conclusion of the entertainment.

Club Deplores Death Of Mrs. L. J. Y. Withee

Resolutions of regret at the death of Mrs. L. J. Young Withee have been adopted by the Short Story Club, of which Mrs. Withee was reporter. Mrs. W. D. MacKenzie has been appointed W. D. MacKenzie has been appointed to fill the position made vacant by Mrs. Withee's death. The club held a meet-The club held a meet ing Thursday night.

NEW BUILDINGS IN DOWNTOWN SECTION NEAR COMPLETION

Structures Mark Valuable Improvement to the National Capital.

MORE THAN MILLION IN THE TOTAL VALUE

Dignified Beauty of Army and Navy Club Quarters Already Apparent.

Three new buildings in the downtown section, representing new values to the extent of more than \$1,500,900, are approaching completion. They are the rew building of the Army and Navy Club, northeast corner of Seventeenth and I streets; the Riggs office building, southeast corner of G and Fifteenth streets; and the Perpetual Building Association's new home, at the northwest corner of Eleventh and E streets northwest.

The Perpetual Building Association will move from its present quarters, 50i Eleventh street, in a week or ten days to the new building, and occupy the entire first and mezzanine floors. The second floor has been designed for of-fices, and the third floor for a lodge room. The building is one of the few new structures in its neighborhood in E street.

Riggs Office Building.

The steel work on the new Riggs office building, which also is to be the new Chase Theater, has nearly been completed, and on the Fifteenth street side the white terra cotta material of the upper exterior has been placed in position, giving an idea of how the completed building will appear. It is noticeable, too, that the Fifteenth screet front will be in entire harmony with that of the adjoining building, the National Metropolitan Eank. The two buildings will give a balance, at least for more than half a square, to the classic facule of the Treasury building opposite.

posite.

Some of the largest pieces of plate girder work ever seen ir Washington have been placed in the theater section of the Riggs building. These have been nocessitated by the plan, which provides for a large unobstructed auditorium space to be the auditorium. The theater will take about one-third of the space of the building. Many pedestrians have stopped to watch the placting of these huge pieces of steel, and the police have exercised special care to prevent accident. The building is expected to be ready for occupancy on July 1.

Beauty Now Apparent.

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The dignified beauty of the new Army and Navy Club building is now evident fom the present stage of the work. With the exception of some of the ornamental features of the exterior, the building now appears as it will when considered. Work also is progressing rapidity on the new beme for the University Club, two squares to the east, in I street. The Army and Navy building will be ready for occupancy about June 1.

June 1.

A small but good improvement to the business building of G street has just beeen completed on the north side, between Twelfth and Thirteenth streets. This consists of three one-story store buildings of attractive design. The buildings take the place of one of the few vacant lots in the street.

Building Abandoned By Census Bureau

Annex No. 2, of the Census Bureau, known as the Armory building, in G street, was abandoned by the Census Bureau today, and the keys were turned over to the owners.

Three divisions of the census, agricultural statistics, vital statistics, and tural statistics, vital statistics, and population of cities, are now housed in the Census building, at First and B streets. The moving of 250 clerks with their machines and files, was completed in the snow this morning.

Census officials said the work was progressing as well as could be expected, and that there would be no change in the working force until February 29, when there will be another general reduction of the temporary force.

Annex No. 1, the Smith building, adjoining the Census office, in First street, will be abandoned late in March.

"Stolen" Evidence Wins Court Case for Wife

Mrs. Kate E. Flynn, 417 Third street northwest, had her husband, Harry J. Flynn, a brakeman, taken into the Juvenile Court on the charge of non-support of two small children, yestersupport of two small children, yester-day. She showed the court that she had kept close "tab" on her husband. Distributed on Judge De Lacy's desk were her various exhibits of bills, receipts, and her husband's wage book, which she confessed she had stolen from his coat. From these Mrs. Flynn showed exactly what had been done in the matter of expeditures and receipts, Judge De Lacy ordered the husband to pay \$20 a month toward the maintenance of the children.

Name of Wrecked Ship Not Learned

All efforts to positively determine the name of the three-masted schooner, believed to be the Madeline Cooney, that rammed the torpedo destroyer Warrington off Cape Hatteras on the night of December 28, have failed.

The revenue cutter Onondaga, Capt. D. F. A. de Otte commanding, sent to destroy the wreck, and learn the identity of the vessel, has ben unable to obtain the name board, or other exact

vidence. Captain de Otte has reported that he is convinced in his own mind that the schooner is the Cooney.

This Is Anniversary of Lincoln's Advance Order

Fifty years ago today President Lincoln issued an order for a general advance against Confederates February 22, On January 27, 1824, the Virginia Legis-Inture issued charter rights to the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company. John Audubon, foremost of the early American naturalists, died on this date in 1851 This is also the memorial date of the death, in 1901 of Giuseppe Verdi, one of Halv's most versatile revisites. one of italy's most versatile musicians.
Friedrick Schelling, German philosopher, was born January 27, 1775.
Ottawa is fifty-four years old today as capital of Canada, having been named as the seat of government in 1858.